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1. FINAL BRIEFING LIESCENT HELD NEW YORK 11 OCT PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE THAT NIGHT VIA IBERIA FOR MADR. WEIDE CONCURS FAVORABLE ASSESSMENT BY LUDWELL REPORTED REF B. LIESCENT EXPECTS STAY SPAIN FOR TWO TO THREE WEEKS AND WILL LIVE AT HOTEL REPERATRIZ. HE NOT GIVEN STA CONTACT BUT TOLD STA WOULD BE ADVISED HIS PLANS. LIESCENT UNDERSTANDABLY NERVOUS MEET FACES HIM AFTER 35 YEAR ABSENCE AND KNOWING INTERIOR MINISTER ALONSO VEGA OPPOSED HIS ENTRY AND THAT MADR UNIV RECEIVED ANONYMOUS PROTEST LETTERS HIS RETURN.

D 2. LIESCENT SAID THAT HE WILL HAVE CANDID TALKS SPANISH POLITICAL SITUATION WITH INFORMATION MINISTER FRAGA WHO LIESCENT CLAIMS TOLD HIM THAT FRAGA AND GENERAL MIGUEL RODRIGO CONSTITUTE INTERNAL POWER CLIQUE. ALSO PLANS SPEND MUCH TIME WITH CLOSE FRIEND INDICE EDITOR FIGUEROA. LIESCENT CAUTIONED ON APPROACHES BY ALLEGED OPPOSITIONISTS & ESPECIALLY SOCIALISTS IN LIGHT OF ALONSO VEGA STAND ON ENTRY.

3. WILL POUCH FULL DETAILS MEETING.

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*BACKGROUND ON HEADQUARTERS PLANS TO SEE LIEUTENANT UNKNOWN SPANISH
KIDNAP RESEARCHER PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR SPAIN AT INVITATION
SPANISH GOVERNMENT AND UNIVERSITY OF MARIANO DE LACORTA ON HIS
SPECIALIZATION CARDIAC GLYCOSIDES.

RESULTS OF LUDWELL TALKS WITH LINCOLN IN MEXICO CITY

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